

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	Thomas Smith	Confirmation No.:	9056
Application No.:	10/538,589	Art Unit:	1618
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Title:	COATED PARTICLES FOR SUSTAINED-RELEASE PHARMACEUTICAL ADMINISTRATION		

Commissioner for Patents
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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby request continued examination of the above-identified patent application according to 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 by filing a submission (Amendments to the Claims, Remarks, and Information Disclosure Statement) and the required fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e). A Petition for Three-Month Extension of time is filed herewith, thereby extending the deadline to respond to December 23, 2011.

In response to the Office Action dated June 23, 2010, please reconsider the above-identified U.S. patent application in view of the following:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 9.

The **Conclusion** is on page 27.